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Oskar RAPP, et al

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Office Action (7 pages) in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.

Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.

[ ] Applicants assert small entity status und[X] No fee for additional claims is required.

A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

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SMALL ENTITY RATE   FEE	<u>OR</u>	RATE   FEE
x \$ 9 \$  x \$ 43 \$  + \$145 \$		x
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- \* If the entry in Co. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
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- [X] Also transmitted herewith are:
  - [ ] Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.
  - [X] Other: Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 (3 pages) and copies of cited references, including translation of DE 26 26 484 (6 pages)
- [X] Check(s) in the amount of \$180.00 is/are attached to cover:
  - [ ] Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
  - [ ] Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
  - [X] Other: IDS fee
- [X] The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.
  - [X] Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.
  - [X] Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
  - [X] Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR

1.136.

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the office action dated April 20, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified patent application based on the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.